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Microsoft's business practices and subsequent monopoly power have without a doubt stifled my choices as a consumer of computer hardware and software.

Some of the major problems I see that need to be rectified:

- Microsoft's business practices make it nearly impossible to purchase an x86 based personal computer with operating systems other than theirs.
- Microsoft's bundling of products along with their operating system leads to the elimination of 3rd party competing software, thus reducing my choice as a consumer.
- Microsoft's monopoly power results in hardware and software developers not developing equivalent software for operating systems other than Microsoft's.

## Additionally:

- Microsoft has the power to leverage its monopoly to enter and dominate new markets.

I strongly urge the Justice Department and the Supreme Court to bring a firm and fair punishment upon Microsoft to penalize them for damage they have done to the consumer and the computer industry. I also urge the court to put strong limits on their business practices so that they are forced to compete on a level playing ground with other companies. This will lead to more innovation and progress in the industry.

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